

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 10/560,539 Confirmation No.: 6451
Applicant(s): Andreas LENDLEIN *et al.*
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Docket No.: 26538-0014
Customer No.: 24633

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for response to the non-final Office Action dated October 7, 2008. A response to the Office Action was due January 7, 2009. This extension will extend the time the response is due from January 7, 2009 to April 7, 2009.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge **\$1,110.00** to Deposit Account No. 50-1349, required to be paid under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 for a three-month extension of time. If there are any additional fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-1349. Also, please credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-1349.

Respectfully submitted,

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